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The Public Hearings for the Judicial Merit Selection Commission have been scheduled to begin Monday, November 13, 2017, with the hearings commencing at 9 a.m. regarding the qualifications of the following candidates for judicial positions:

Supreme Court

Seat 3

The Honorable John W. Kittredge, Greenville, SC

Court of Appeals

Seat 8

The Honorable Thomas E. Huff, North Augusta, SC

Circuit Court

3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

The Honorable Kristi Fisher Curtis, Sumter, SC
Samuel LaNue Floyd, Kingstree, SC
Ryan Kirk Griffin, Sumter, SC
Timothy Ward Murphy, Sumter, SC

4th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

The Honorable Roger E. Henderson, Chesterfield, SC

5th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

The Honorable L. Casey Manning, Columbia, SC

7th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

The Honorable Grace Gilchrist Knie, Campobello, SC

8th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

The Honorable Eugene Cannon Griffith Jr., Prosperity, SC

9th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

The Honorable Kristi Lea Harrington, Hanahan, SC

10th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

The Honorable R. Scott Sprouse, Walhalla, SC

11th Judicial Circuit, Seat 1

The Honorable William Paul Keesley, Edgefield, SC

- 11th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2** Amy V. Cofield, Lexington, SC
Donna Elder, Lexington, SC
David Shawn Graham, Lexington, SC
Kyliene Lee Keesley, West Columbia, SC
Ralph Shealy Kennedy Jr, Leesville, SC
Robert Michael Madsen, Lexington, SC
Walton J. McLeod IV, Columbia, SC
Stephen Jahue Moore, Columbia, SC
- 12th Judicial Circuit, Seat 1** The Honorable Michael Nettles, Lake City, SC
- 13th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2** The Honorable Letitia Hamilton Verdin, Greenville, SC
- 13th Judicial Circuit, Seat 4** The Honorable Alex Kinlaw Jr., Greenville, SC
Andrew (Andy) Burke Moorman Sr., Greer, SC
John (Jack) Patrick Riordan, Greenville, SC
The Honorable Jessica Ann Salvini, Greenville, SC
- 14th Judicial Circuit, Seat 1** The Honorable Perry McPherson Buckner III, Walterboro, SC
- 16th Judicial Circuit, Seat 1** Bryson John Barrowclough, Tega Cay, SC
Lisa G. Collins, Rock Hill, SC
William Angus McKinnon, Rock Hill, SC
Leah B. Moody, Rock Hill, SC
James Michael Morton, Rock Hill, SC
- At-Large, Seat 9** Jerome P. Askins III, Johnsonville, SC
Meredith L. Coker, Charleston, SC
The Honorable Marvin H. Dukes III, Beaufort, SC
Joseph M. Epting Jr., Irmo, SC
Joey Randell Floyd, Columbia, SC
Jenny A. Horne, Summerville, SC
Meliah Bowers Jefferson, Greenville, SC
The Honorable Jennifer Blanchard McCoy, Charleston, SC
Grady L. Patterson III, Columbia, SC
The Honorable Kelly Pope-Black, Campobello, SC
The Honorable Susan O. Porter, Columbia, SC
Robert L. Reibold, Columbia, SC
Benjamin Chad Simpson, Charleston, SC
Sara Heather Savitz Weiss, Columbia, SC

Family Court

2nd Judicial Circuit, Seat 2 **Angela W. Abstance**, Barnwell, SC
J. Cameron (Cam) Halford, Barnwell, SC

3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat 1 **Thomas Murray Bultman**, Sumter, SC
Edgar Robert Donald Jr., Sumter, SC
Ernest Joseph Jarrett, Kingstree, SC

6th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2 **Catherine S. Hendrix**, Blair, SC
Debra A. Matthews, Blackstock, SC

8th Judicial Circuit, Seat 1 **The Honorable Bryan C. Able**, Laurens, SC
Ashley Phillips Case, Fountain Inn, SC
Matthew Price Turner, Laurens, SC

11th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2 **Huntley Smith Crouch**, Lexington, SC

12th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2 **The Honorable John Rogers Kirven**, Florence, SC
FitzLee Howard McEachin, Florence, SC
Stuart Wesley Snow Sr., Florence, SC
The Honorable Elizabeth Biggerstaff York, Florence, SC

Administrative Law Court

Seat 5 **The Honorable Shirley Canty Robinson**, Columbia, SC

Master-in-Equity

Florence County **William Haigh Porter**, Florence, SC

York County **David Eugene Simpson**, Rock Hill, SC
Teasa Kay Weaver, York, SC

Retired Judges

Circuit Court **The Honorable Thomas W. Cooper Jr.**, Manning, SC

Circuit Court **The Honorable Roger L. Couch**, Spartanburg, SC

Circuit Court **The Honorable Thomas Leslie Hughston Jr.**, Charleston, SC

Circuit Court **The Honorable Howard Pickett King**, Sumter, SC

Circuit Court **The Honorable Alexander Stephens Macaulay**, West Union, SC

Family Court **The Honorable Peter Raymond Nuessle**, Aiken, SC

Family Court

The Honorable James A. Spruill III, Cheraw, SC

Family Court

The Honorable Donna Savoca Strom, Columbia, SC

Persons desiring to testify at public hearings shall furnish written notarized statements of proposed testimony, in accordance with the Procedural Rules of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission. These statements must be received by **Noon, Monday, October 30, 2017**. The Commission has witness affidavit forms that may be used for proposed testimony. While this form is not mandatory, it will be supplied on request. Statements should be mailed or delivered to the Judicial Merit Selection Commission as follows:

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All testimony, including documents furnished to the Commission, must be submitted under oath. Persons knowingly giving false information, either orally or in writing, shall be subject to penalty.

For further information about the Judicial Merit Selection Commission and the judicial screening process, you may access the website at www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/judmerit.html.

Questions concerning the hearing and procedures should be directed to the Commission at (803) 212-6623.